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The following centennial proposal is certified as eligible for Centennial Challenge funding consideration in fiscal year 2008. Funding for the Centennial Challenge requires legislation.

Rejuvenate Deteriorated Sugarlands Museum Exhibits

Location: Tennessee, Gatlinburg

Partner(s): Friends of the Smokies

Partner Website: www.friendsofthesmokies.org

Total Cost: \$50,000

Proposal # 112856

Summary: The park proposes to rehabilitate the Sugarlands Visitor Center exhibits, which are aging and date from 1984, with updated plant and animal specimens and photo murals. Replacing museum images and specimens will make the Smokies natural ecosystem come alive for visitors. The Sugarlands Museum functions as the primary interpretive media component of a facility that serves over 800,000 visitors per year. Sugarlands has the only natural history museum in the most visited national park in the System. The museum immerses the visitor in the Smokies forest and introduces the diversity and abundance of flora and fauna that makes the park a World Heritage Site and an International Biosphere Reserve.

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